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Applicant(s): T. ENDO, ET AL

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This is responsive to the Office Action mailed February 6,  
2003, the term for response to which expires on March 6, 2003.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Amend substituted claim 3 to read as follows:

AI 3. (Amended) The pattern formation member according to claim  
2, wherein

a width of the straight pattern of said shield section is  
larger than that of said translucent section.

**R E M A R K S**

Claim 3 has been amended to depend from claim 2. Attached  
hereto is a marked-up copy of claim 3 showing the changes made.

It is respectfully requested that the amendment to claim 3  
be approved and entered. No new matter has been added.